STD Update for Clinicians and Counselors

Satellite Conference Wednesday, March 10, 2004 2:00-4:00 p.m., Central Time

exually transmitted diseases occur mainly in people 15 to 30 years of age, however some younger people are also affected. We also know that people with one sexually transmitted infection are usually at high risk for other diseases. For many STDs, more male cases are often reported than female cases, however the statistics may not reflect the actual situation.

The management of STDs involves three parts: treatment, counseling, and follow-up. The clinician or counselor should always explain the disease, its treatment, and other aspects of its management to the client. A person may remain infected even if symptoms disappear, or may become reinfected immediately after treatment, so a follow-up visit is important. The sex partners of clients with any STD should also seek medical examination. This helps prevent further spread throughout the community and also reduces the chances of reinfection for the original client.

This conference will assist health care providers and others in screening for STDs/HIV; identify infection trends; and develop the skills necessary to provide pre- and post-test prevention counseling.

FACULTY:

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OBJECTIVES:

Describe the role of the women's health programs in screening for STDs/HIV.

Identify infection trends, causative organisms, incubation period, s/s, diagnosis, complications and treatment for common STDs and HIV.

List three factors for and three preventive measures against acquiring a STD and HIV.

Discuss the relationship between genital warts and cervical cancer.

Discuss the relationship among fertility, ectopic pregnancy, chronic pelvic pain, STDs and HIV and the neonate. Describe effective counseling measures for pre and post test counseling and disclosure.

ISSUES OR QUESTIONS YOU WANT ADDRESSED DURING THIS CONFERENCE?

Email (alphtn@adph.state.al.us) or fax (334-206-5640) the conference faculty. They will respond during the program.

CONFERENCE DETAILS:

Target Audience: Nurses, Social Workers and other health professionals who conduct STD prevention,

screening and treatment.

Registration: www.adph.org/alphtn

Cost: No cost to view

CEU's: Nurses and Social Workers (pending)

Satellite Coordinates: C & Ku Band

Conference Materials: Posted on our website approximately one week before the program

Questions: alphtn@adph.state.al.us or 334-206-5618

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

Preventing Sexual Coercion Among Adoelscents (Part 2)

Thursday, March 18, 2004 2:00-4:00 p.m., Central Time

Reproductive Health Issues for Women Over 40

Wednesday, April 14, 2004 2:00-4:00 p.m., Central Time

For a complete listing of programs, www.adph.org/alphtn